

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

An imager has a cartridge assembly with a print head arranged directly over a production path. The print head vertically moves on an axis perpendicular to the plane of the production path for allowing the print head to be  
5 purged, cleaned, parked or a combination thereof, while the print head remains directly over the production path. The imager also includes a service station assembly having a waste ink receptacle that moves horizontally in relation to  
10 an axis parallel to the plane of the production path for purging, cleaning or parking the print head, or a combination thereof, while the print head remains directly over the production path.